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Sir:

Please find enclosed for filing:

X Second Supplemental Preliminary Amendment

X Drawings; 2 sheets (relabeled substitute sheets of Fig. 2A and Fig. 2B)

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 19, lines 6-7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figures 2A, and 2B represent alternative representations of the characteristic profile derived via SELDI/TOF MS of the disease specific marker of Figure 1.--